

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 24, 1864.

and the lower middle. Their opinion, if found to be obtained, would hardly be affected perhaps by the distinction between the two. Considerable excitement is a evident existing among them in relation to American affairs, sufficient in some instances it appears to be to incite to proceedings. But their votes, if they have any, are not of much importance by their numbers; to be of much weight they must be thrown into the scale of the titled nobility, as of the men of wealth and renown. These constitute the ruling class who give law to British subjects. The Queen originates—but they govern the nation. And the Ministry are her administration, but their government. And Earl Russell, still at the head of the Foreign Office, grows the soul of the British nation on all subjects of a foreign nature. He has a gift, it appears, in the "Confederate" manifesto seeking some honorable consideration that England demands the duration of the civil war; but that his country determines not to observe "strict and impartial neutrality." And in his reply he speaks of the South as the "so-called Confederate States" and of the North as the "formerly United Republic of New America."

Dr. MARY E. WALKER has received the appointment of Acting Surgeon in the Army, has assumed duty as surgeon in the female prison in Louisville, Ky.

Dr. EDWARDS who has been in charge Lovell Hospital, nearly from its establishment has been removed at his own request and Dr. CHARLES O. LEARY has been placed in charge.

Rev. C. E. BARROWS of South Danvers, Mass., is expected to preach at the First Baptist Church to-morrow morning and afternoon.

Acting Master JOHN UTTER, has been transferred to the Owasauc.

The Cove basin was yesterday lively skating.

John C. A. Brown was appointed Administrator of estate of Adairam Brown, deceased.

Gideon U. Durfee and George W. Hump were appointed to make inventory of estate of Adairam Humphrey, dead.

Asa Gray, Jehoz Sisson and Oliver Munter were appointed appraisers of estate of S. C. Almy, deceased.

Final account of Administrator on estate of Mary Brown was continued to next court.

Mr. J. S. GAYLORD, agent for "The Rebellion," now in course of publication by T. HEADLEY, the well known historical printer canvassing the city for subscribers to that work. We have not room this week to speak of this work as it deserves, but would advise our citizens to give him their names if they desire a full and accurate history of "The Rebellion."

Sparta to Gilson, and then moved upon Valley, converging with the right wing near latter place. The whole army appeared in vicinity of Millen, Dec. 2. Until it was found certain that Sherman had reached Millen, rebels believed that he was passing down the Ogechee and Oconee rivers, aiming to reach coast of Darien or Brunswick.

Very adroit strategy was necessary to juncture to conceal the real direction of the march for the rebels known in time that A

There are now only five revolutionaries alive, three of whom enlisted in England, and one of whom still lives in his home in Williams Hutchinsons.

The Dictator, Commodore John H. Smith, arrived in Hampton Roads on Saturday morning last, after a very quick and successful voyage from New York.

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